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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Kenchi ITO *et al.*  
Serial No. : 10/670,216  
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For : MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM AND  
MAGNETIC MEMORY APPARATUS  
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**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
POB 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

24 January 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 22 September 2005, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121 in the Final Rule effective 30 July 2003, and as revised in the Final Rule effective 21 October 2004, each section of amendment begins on a new page, and changes are shown by strike-through (or double brackets where appropriate) and underlining to indicate deletions and additions, respectively. A complete listing of all claims ever presented in the application is given with the current status of each claim, and only the text of all pending and withdrawn claims is presented in full, with those pending/withdrawn claims not being amended herein being presented in clean version.